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(As Amended)

"AN ACT CONCERNING THE OFFICE OF THE CORRECTION OMBUDS, THE USE OF ISOLATED CONFINEMENT, SECLUSION AND RESTRAINTS, SOCIAL CONTACTS FOR INCARCERATED PERSONS AND TRAINING AND WORKERS' COMPENSATION BENEFITS FOR CORRECTION OFFICERS."

- 1 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and
- 2 internal references accordingly:
- 3 "Sec. 501. Subsection (k) of section 46b-133 of the general statutes is
- 4 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October*
- 5 1, 2021):
- 6 (k) For purposes of subsections (c) and (e) of this section, a child may
- 7 be determined to pose a risk to public safety if such child (1) has
- 8 previously been adjudicated as delinquent for or convicted of or pled
- 9 guilty or nolo contendere to two or more felony offenses, (2) has had

10 [two] one or more prior dispositions of probation and is charged with 11 commission of a larceny under subdivision (3) of subsection (a) of 12 section 53a-122 or subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of section 53a-123 or 13 subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of section 53a-124, or (3) is charged with 14 stealing a firearm under section 53a-212, the commission of a violent 15 offense, including any offense committed with or involving the use of a 16 deadly weapon, as defined in section 53a-3, or a violation of section 53a-17 136a.

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Sec. 502. (NEW) (Effective October 1, 2021) (a) The court shall order any child, as defined in section 46b-120 of the general statutes, who is charged with a delinquency offense involving a motor vehicle, as defined in section 46b-133j of the general statutes, for which such child is not yet adjudicated as delinquent, who, during the pendency of a delinquency proceeding, is charged with a subsequent delinquency offense involving a motor vehicle, to be released to the custody of the child's parent or parents, guardian or some other suitable person subject to the condition that the child not leave such parent, guardian or suitable person's residence unless otherwise authorized by the court until each such delinquency proceeding is disposed of.

- (b) If any such child who is released to the custody of such child's parent or parents or guardian pursuant to the provisions of subsection (a) of this section is charged with any violation of such child's conditions of release, the court shall find such child to pose a risk to public safety and shall issue an order to detain the child in a detention center pursuant to subsection (i) of section 46b-133 of the general statutes until each delinquency proceeding for any such violation described in this section is disposed of.
- Sec. 503. Section 46b-6 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2021*):
- In any pending family relations matter <u>or juvenile matter under</u> 40 <u>chapter 815t in which the juvenile has previously been adjudicated as</u> 41 delinquent for or convicted of or pled guilty or nolo contendere to a

42 felony offense and is charged with (1) commission of a larceny under 43 subdivision (3) of subsection (a) of section 53a-122, subdivision (1) of 44 subsection (a) of section 53a-123 or subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of 45 section 53a-124, (2) stealing a firearm under section 53a-212, or (3) the 46 commission of a violent offense, including any offense committed with 47 or involving the use of a deadly weapon, as defined in section 53a-3, or 48 a violation of section 53a-136a, the court or any judge may cause an 49 investigation to be made with respect to any circumstance of the matter 50 which may be helpful or material or relevant to a proper disposition of 51 the case. Such investigation may include an examination of the 52 parentage and surroundings of any child, his age, habits and history, 53 inquiry into the home conditions, habits and character of his parents or 54 guardians and evaluation of his mental or physical condition. In any 55 action for dissolution of marriage, legal separation or annulment of 56 marriage such investigation may include an examination into the age, 57 habits and history of the parties, the causes of marital discord and the 58 financial ability of the parties to furnish support to either spouse or any 59 dependent child.

Sec. 504. Subsections (a) and (b) of section 46b-127 of the general statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2021*):

(a) (1) The court shall automatically transfer from the docket for juvenile matters to the regular criminal docket of the Superior Court the case of any child charged with the commission of (A) a capital felony under the provisions of section 53a-54b in effect prior to April 25, 2012, a class A felony, [or] (B) a class B felony, except as provided in subparagraph (C) of this subdivision or subdivision (3) of this subsection, or a violation of section 53a-54d, or (C) a felony when such child is a serious juvenile repeat offender, as defined in subdivision (10) of section 46b-120, provided such offense was committed after such child attained the age of fifteen years and counsel has been appointed for such child if such child is indigent. Such counsel may appear with the child but shall not be permitted to make any argument or file any motion in opposition to the transfer. The child shall be arraigned in the

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regular criminal docket of the Superior Court at the next court date following such transfer, provided any proceedings held prior to the finalization of such transfer shall be private and shall be conducted in such parts of the courthouse or the building in which the court is located that are separate and apart from the other parts of the court which are then being used for proceedings pertaining to adults charged with crimes.

- (2) A state's attorney may, at any time after such arraignment, file a motion to transfer the case of any child charged with the commission of a class B felony or a violation of subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of section 53a-70 to the docket for juvenile matters for proceedings in accordance with the provisions of this chapter.
- (3) No case of any child charged with the commission of a violation of section 53a-55, 53a-59b, 53a-71 or 53a-94, subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of section 53a-101, section 53a-112, 53a-122 or 53a-129b, subdivision (1), (3) or (4) of subsection (a) of section 53a-134, section 53a-196c, 53a-196d or 53a-252 or subsection (a) of section 53a-301 shall be transferred from the docket for juvenile matters to the regular criminal docket of the Superior Court, except as provided in this subdivision or subparagraph (C) of subdivision (1) of this subsection. Upon motion of a prosecutorial official, the superior court for juvenile matters shall conduct a hearing to determine whether the case of any child charged with the commission of any such offense shall be transferred from the docket for juvenile matters to the regular criminal docket of the Superior Court. The court shall not order that the case be transferred under this subdivision unless the court finds that (A) such offense was committed after such child attained the age of fifteen years, (B) there is probable cause to believe the child has committed the act for which the child is charged, and (C) after considering the best interests of the child, [and] the best interests of the public will not be served by maintaining the case in the superior court for juvenile matters. In making such findings, the court shall consider (i) any prior criminal or juvenile offenses committed by the child, (ii) the seriousness of such offenses, (iii) any evidence that the child has intellectual disability or mental illness, and (iv) the availability

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- (b) [Upon] Except as provided in subsection (a) of this section, upon motion of a prosecutorial official, the superior court for juvenile matters shall conduct a hearing to determine whether the case of any child charged with the commission of a class C, D or E felony or an unclassified felony shall be transferred from the docket for juvenile matters to the regular criminal docket of the Superior Court. The court shall not order that the case be transferred under this subdivision unless the court finds that (1) such offense was committed after such child attained the age of fifteen years, (2) there is probable cause to believe the child has committed the act for which the child is charged, and (3) after considering the best interests of the child, [and] the best interests of the public will not be served by maintaining the case in the superior court for juvenile matters. In making such findings, the court shall consider (A) any prior criminal or juvenile offenses committed by the child, (B) the seriousness of such offenses, (C) any evidence that the child has intellectual disability or mental illness, and (D) the availability of services in the docket for juvenile matters that can serve the child's needs. Any motion under this subdivision shall be made, and any hearing under this subdivision shall be held, not later than thirty days after the child is arraigned in the superior court for juvenile matters.
- Sec. 505. Subsection (a) of section 54-76b of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October* 1, 2021):
- 137 (a) For the purposes of sections 54-76b to 54-76n, inclusive:
 - (1) "Youth" means (A) a minor who has reached the age of sixteen years but has not reached the age of eighteen years at the time of the alleged offense, or (B) a child who has been transferred to the regular criminal docket of the Superior Court pursuant to section 46b-127, as

amended by this act; and

(2) "Youthful offender" means a youth who (A) is charged with the commission of a crime which is not a class A felony or a violation of section 53a-70b of the general statutes, revision of 1958, revised to January 1, 2019, or section 14-222a, subsection (a) or subdivision (1) of subsection (b) of section 14-224, section 14-227a, 14-227g or 14-227m, subdivision (1) or (2) of subsection (a) of section 14-227n, subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of section 53-21 or section 53a-70a, 53a-70a, 53a-71, 53a-72a or 53a-72b, except a violation involving consensual sexual intercourse or sexual contact between the youth and another person who is thirteen years of age or older but under sixteen years of age, and (B) has not previously been convicted of a felony in the regular criminal docket of the Superior Court or been previously adjudged a serious juvenile offender. [or serious juvenile repeat offender, as defined in section 46b-120.]"

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Sec. 501	October 1, 2021	46b-133(k)
Sec. 502	October 1, 2021	New section
Sec. 503	October 1, 2021	46b-6
Sec. 504	October 1, 2021	46b-127(a) and (b)
Sec. 505	October 1, 2021	54-76b(a)